

# Sing and Play Down at the Farm:

## A Program for Parents and Caregivers of children ages infant – 5 years

This 30-minute program is designed to provide a time of singing, rhymes and stories for our youngest children. Children will have a chance to hear and participate in rhymes, sing and move to music, hear interactive stories and play musical instruments. Most program elements will stay the same from week to week. The main changes will be the story we share and the instruments the children play. Repetition helps increase learning and reinforces important literacy skills.

Here is the basic format of our program.

**Arrival Music**

**Welcome Songs**

**Rhyme Time**

**Story Time**

**Songs with Movement**

**Playing Musical Instruments**

**Twinkle Twinkle Little Star in English and Spanish**

**Dismissal Music**

*(Special note: We know that children in this age group will get wiggly and that is ok! The only thing we ask is that you don't let them go further to the front than the edge of our dragon carpet. This is for their safety. If your child goes into that space, please come and bring them back into your space. This will make the program safer and more meaningful for everyone.)*

### Arrival Music

**Mr. Sun (From Raffi's Singable Songs for the Very Young)**

Oh, Mr. Sun, Sun, Mr. Golden Sun,  
Please shine down on me.  
Oh Mr. Sun, Sun, Mr. Golden Sun,  
Hiding behind a tree  
These little children are asking you  
To please come out so we can play with you.  
Oh Mr. Sun, Sun, Mr. Golden Sun,  
Please shine down on, please shine down on,  
Please shine down on me.

**Two Little Blackbirds**

**(Music from the Complete Book of Rhymes, Songs Fingerplays and Chants.)**

Two little blackbirds  
Sitting on a hill.  
One named Jack.  
One named Jill. Fly away Jack.  
Fly away Jill.  
Come back Jack. Come back Jill.

**Johnny works with one hammer**

**(Music from the Complete Book of Rhymes, Songs Fingerplays and Chants.)**

Johnny works with one hammer  
One hammer one hammer  
Johnny works with one hammer  
Then he works with two  
Johnny Works with Two Hammers ....

**Itsy Bitsy Spider**

**(Music from the Complete Book of Rhymes, Songs Fingerplays and Chants.)**

The itsy bitsy spider  
went up the water spout.  
Down came the rain  
and washed the spider out.

Up came the sun  
and dried up all the rain.  
And the itsy bitsy spider  
went up the spout again.

### Welcome Song: The More We Get Together

*The leader will present the song with sign language. You can sign along or simply sing and clap to the beat!*

**(Max Berry's Music from the Complete Book of Rhymes, Songs and Fingerplays)**

The more we get together  
Together. Together.  
The more we get together.  
The happier we'll be.

For your friends are my friends

And my friends are your friends  
The more we get together  
The happier we'll be.

The more we sing together...  
The more we read together...  
The more we get together...

## **Welcome Song: Old MacDonald Had A Farm**

(This song features some of our large brightly colored foam board puppets!)

**(Music from the Complete Book of Rhymes, Songs, Fingerplays and Chants)**

Old MacDonald had a farm

E-I-E-I-O

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And on this farm he had a cow

Pig...oink-oink

E-I-E-I-O

Cat...meow-meow

With a moo-moo here and a moo- moo there. Here a moo,  
there a moo, everywhere a moo-moo.

Dog...ruff-ruff

Old MacDonald had a farm

Horse...neigh-neigh

## **RHYME TIME**

The presenter will say: I have my **sack** on my **back**, so it must be **RHYME TIME**! Our rhymes will take us all around the farm to visit the pigs, the chickens, and the sheep!

### **Baa Baa Black Sheep**

We will do this twice. The first time the presenter will speak a line and the caregivers and children will echo it back. The second time we will sing.

Baa-Baa Black Sheep

Have you any wool?

Yes sir, Yes sir

Three Bags Full

One for my master

One for my dame

One for the little boy who lives down the lane

Baa-Baa Black Sheep

Have you any wool?

Yes sir, Yes sir

Three Bags Full

(Baa-Baa White Sheep.....one for the little girl who lives down the lane)

Then there were four clean squeaky pigs.

Oink! Oink! (Clap, Clap)

Four...three

Three...two

Two...one

One..No

### **Ten Fluffy Chicks**

We will do this twice. The first time, the presenter will do it with the flannel board. Then we will do it together with our fingers.

#### **Ten Fluffy Chicks**

Five eggs and five eggs

(hold up five fingers and five fingers)

That makes ten

(wiggle ten fingers)

Sitting on top is mother hen

(lock fingers together knuckles up)

Crackle, Crackle, Crackle What do I see

(clap hands)

Ten fluffy chickens as yellow as can be (hold up ten fingers)

### **Five Pigs So Squeaky Clean**

We will sing this together once through.

Five Pigs so squeaky clean

Cleanest you've ever seen

Wanted to go outside and play

Oink! Oink! (Clap, Clap)

One jumped into the mud

Landed with a great big thud

## **Sam the Story Bird Presents: Storytime**

Different story each week

## **Songs With Movement (These songs will also be used for those who arrive before 10 a.m. each week.)**

### **Wheels on the Tractor**

The wheels on the tractor go round and round,  
Round and round,  
Round and round.  
The wheels on the tractor go round and round,  
All around the farm.  
the lights go blink...  
the engine goes vroom...  
the brakes go squeak...  
the horn goes beep...  
the farmer goes up and down...  
the wheels go round and round...

### **Down on Grandpa's Farm**

Oh, we're on our way, we're on our way

On our way to Grandpa's farm

We're on our way, we're on our way

On our way to Grandpa's farm.

Verses....

Down on Grandpa's farm there is a big brown cow

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The cow, she makes a sound like this: Moo! Moo!  
The cow, she makes a sound like this: Moo! Moo!

....there is a little red hen (Cluck Cluck)  
....there is a little white sheep (Baa Baa)  
....there is a big black dog (Ruff ruff)  
....there is a big pink pig (oink oink)  
....there is a big brown horse (neigh neigh)

### **Way Down Yonder at the Yun-Yum Farm**

Where oh where are all the children?  
Where oh where are all the children?  
Where oh where are all the children?  
Way down yonder at the yum-yum farm.

Pulling up carrots, putting them in the basket  
Pulling up carrots, putting them in the basket  
Pulling up carrots, putting them in the basket  
Way down yonder at the yum-yum farm.

Picking red apples  
Digging up potatoes  
Snapping those green beans

## **Musical Instruments**

Play a different rhythm instrument each week to songs related to farms, being in the outside, etc.

## **Closing Song**

Children will have stars to wave while we sing.

### **Twinkle Twinkle Little Star**

Twinkle Twinkle Little Star  
How I wonder what you are  
Up above the world so high  
Like a diamond in the sky  
Twinkle Twinkle Little Star  
How I wonder what you are  
Estrellita, ¿dónde estás?  
Quiero verte cintilar  
en el cielo, sobre el mar.  
Un diamante de verdad.  
Estrellita, ¿dónde estás?  
Quiero verte cintilar.

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## **Music on CD**

Baby Beluga by Raffi (CD)  
Bright Spaces by Raffi (CD)  
Cedarmont Kids Toddler Tunes (CD)  
Cedarmont Kids Preschool Songs (CD)  
Fandagumbo by Julie Austin (CD)  
Five Little Monkeys (Various Artists) (CD)  
Hot! Hot! Hot! Dance Songs by Sesame Street (CD)  
Let's Play by Raffi (CD)  
One Light, One Sun by Raffi (CD)  
Rise and Shine by Raffi (CD)  
Sharon, Lois and Bram's Great Big Hits (CD)  
Singable Songs for the Very Young by Raffi (CD)  
We All Live Together by Greg and Steve (CD)

## **Weblinks** (Crafts for at home enrichment, puppets, musical instruments)

### **Farm Songs**

<http://www.dltk-kids.com/animals/farm-songs.htm>

### **Farm Crafts**

<http://sunflowerstorytime.com/2011/04/25/farm-animals/>

<http://www.busybeekidscrafts.com/Farm-Animal-Crafts.html>

### **Itsy Bitsy Spider Crafts**

<http://www.dltk-teach.com/rhymes/spider/craft.htm>

<http://stepbystepcc.com/animals/spiders.html>

### **Purchase Rhythm Instruments, Big Books, and many other learning and fun tools for preschool children.**

<http://www.lakeshorelearning.com/home/home.jsp>

### **Little Red Hen Activities**

<http://www.enchantedlearning.com/stories/fairytale/littleredhen/>

<http://www.first-school.ws/activities/fairytales/redhen.htm>

To help reinforce stories it is fun for children to make puppets. You can make them with paper bags, craft sticks or paper plates. Many of the stories we have shared, plus a whole lot more can be reenacted with easy to make kid-friendly puppets.